

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TYLER DIVISION**

STEVEN RADZIKOWSKI, #2124205 §

VS. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 6:19cv40

DIRECTOR, TDCJ-CID §

**ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Petitioner Steven Radzikowski, a prisoner confined at the Boyd Unit within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice proceeding *pro se*, filed this petition for writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The cause of action was referred to United States Magistrate Judge K. Nicole Mitchell for findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations for the disposition of the petition.

On October 6, 2021, Judge Mitchell issued a Report (Docket No. 16) recommending that Petitioner's habeas petition be denied and that the case be dismissed with prejudice. Judge Mitchell further recommended that Petitioner be denied a certificate of appealability *sua sponte*. A copy of this Report was sent to Petitioner at his last-known address; however, to date, no objections have been filed.

The Court reviews the findings and conclusions of the Magistrate Judge de novo only if a party objects within fourteen days of the Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). In conducting a de novo review, the Court examines the entire record and makes an independent assessment under the law. *Douglass v. United Servs. Auto. Ass'n*, 79 F.3d 1415, 1430 (5th Cir. 1996) (en banc), *superseded on other grounds by statute*, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (extending the time to file objections from ten days to fourteen days).

Here, Petitioner has not filed objections. The Court therefore reviews the Magistrate Judge's findings for clear error or abuse of discretion and reviews her legal conclusions to determine whether they are contrary to law. *See United States v. Wilson*, 864 F.2d 1219, 1221 (5th Cir. 1989), *cert. denied*, 492 U.S. 918 (1989) (holding that, if no objections to a Magistrate Judge's Report are filed, the standard of review is "clearly erroneous, abuse of discretion and contrary to law.").

Having reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report and the record in this case, the Court finds no clear error or abuse of discretion and no conclusions contrary to law. Accordingly, the Court hereby **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge (Docket No. 16) as the findings of this Court. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that Petitioner's habeas petition is **DENIED** and the civil action is **DISMISSED**, with prejudice. Petitioner is further **DENIED** as certificate of appealability *sua sponte*. Finally, it is

ORDERED that any motions which may be pending in this civil action are **DENIED** as **MOOT**.

So **ORDERED** and **SIGNED** this **3rd** day of **December, 2021**.



JEREMY D. KERNODEL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE